

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Senator Robak.

SENATOR ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and I would just like to ask Senator Baack a question.

SPEAKER BAACK: Yes.

SENATOR ROBAK: Senator Baack, in my district, I have a small town that has a trailer court, and in this trailer court, the landowner is going to put the entire court in one high school district, but the students in that court are not at this time attending the same high school. In other words, they are all attending different high schools in that area. What does LB 207 do...apply in that situation?

SPEAKER BAACK: LB 207 would say that, under LB 207, it would say that they would all have to attend the one district that they affiliated with unless, of course, they would use the affiliation contract that they signed, which they could do. They could have it in their contract, itself, to allow the students to continue to attend the school district where they are already attending. And I think it would be best for them...I have seen this letter, a copy of this letter came to me, and it would seem to me that the best avenue that they would have is to make sure that part of their affiliation contract would deal with the situation and allow those students to attend where they are attending right now.

SENATOR ROBAK: To attend where they are attending now, then. Okay, this district is going to also place the land in three high school districts, and how will the option enrollment program, how will that work there, because they are renting and they want to continue to have their children's education at the high schools where the other family members have attended?

SPEAKER BAACK: That could also be part of their affiliation contract that they sign when they affiliate. They would be able to make that as part of the provisions of their affiliation contract and be able to work that out through that manner, rather than trying to use the choice option. Eventually, after those districts affiliate, three or four years down the road, as the phase-in goes completely into place, then they would be able to use the choice program, also, just like any other school district. The affiliation would not be allowed, only for the first couple of years, the choice for affiliated districts.